

Restricted (Situational Awareness): L3BN – – Freedom Convoy – 22-17557

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Update 43
Division
Sector
Type of Incident Freedom Convoy
Location Ottawa
Incident Date and Time 28/01/2022 13:29

Brief Synopsis

Current Situation as of 1330 hrs

There are currently less than 10 protestors on Parliament Hill. There are 3-400 people in and around the Wellington/Elgin & Rideau/Sussex.

There has been no change in our geographical footprint and our road closures and traffic filtering points remain unchanged.

The multi-jurisdictional officer deployment remains in place with our day staffing of 86 officers and our afternoon shift is being briefed and deployed to supplement and provide relief.

Our POU teams are rotating into the core, providing intervention support and presence to officer interactions and interventions on the perimeter.

Some PLT members have mobilized are making efforts to open communication again with some of the Convoy leaders.

Fuel interventions continue, however, the protestor tactics have changed. Protestors are coming up in larger groups carrying fuel canisters. Officers are intervening and holding some of the

group for investigation as others continue to pass. We are finding more and more of the cannisters are either empty or full of water. There are multiple people filming, attempting to bait officers. Fuel interventions are still occurring but not at the same frequency as earlier due to this change in tactics.

A social media post with multiple screen shots is being circulated, alleging an arson attempt at an apt building in the area of Metcalfe and Lisgar at 0500 hrs today. The suspects are depicted as using fire starters in the lobby and taping the lobby door shut, A review of calls for service with both OPS and OFD were conducted but none were identified. It is further alleged to be associated to Convoy protestors. This incident is actively being investigated by our Arson section under 22-31897.

Burn barrels are being addressed by officers asking for them to be extinguished. We are encountering some success with these interactions.

There was a report of a police vehicle being rammed. Further investigation revealed that a protestor was being pulled over by traffic and was not complying. A tactical vehicle was used and the vehicle was boxed in and struck the tactical vehicle, causing minor damage.

We have a report of a school portable being dropped off a Jetform Park as part of the protest logistical site.

Planning and staffing work is continuing for the next operational periods.

Wellness And Health & Safety

**Wellness
Notified** N/A

**Health & Safety
Notified** N/A

Actions Taken

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